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People



PEOPLE

Estimated Resident Population
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Estimated Resident Population

	2011(a) '000	2012 (b) '000
Males	1 183.3	1 225.0

Females	1 168.9	1 205.2
Persons	2 352.2	2 430.3
0-14 years	450.9	464.9
15-19 years	154.9	156.9
20-29 years	361.8	378.2
30-39 years	335.0	347.0
40-49 years	340.4	349.3
50-59 years	298.1	306.4
60-64 years	126.0	127.3
65 years and over	285.2	300.3

Statistical Areas Level 4 - WA

Perth-Inner	168.6	172.7
Perth-North East	232.0	240.1
Perth-North West	512.1	530.1
Perth-South East	458.6	476.1
Perth-South West	373.3	387.4
Mandurah	87.5	91.3
<i>Total Greater Perth</i>	<i>1 832.1</i>	<i>1 897.5</i>
Bunbury	162.3	166.9
Western Australia-Wheat Belt	132.7	134.6
Western Australia-Outback	225.1	231.3

(a) As at 30 June, preliminary rebased estimates

(b) As at 30 June, preliminary estimates

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Demography

	2010 no.	2011 no.
Births	31 424	32 259
Deaths	12 720	12 724
Marriages	12 684	12 665
Divorces	4 835	5 020

Crude rate (per 1 000 persons) (a)

Births	13.7	13.7
Deaths	5.5	5.4
Marriages	5.5	5.4
Divorces	2.1	2.1

(a) Based on estimated resident population at 30 June

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Population Census (Proportion of WA Total) (a)

	2006 %	2011 %
Birthplace		

Australia	65.3	62.9
England	8.9	8.6
New Zealand	2.4	3.2
South Africa	1.1	1.6
India	0.8	1.3
Scotland	1.2	1.2

Religious affiliation

No Religion	22.9	25.5
Catholic	23.7	23.6
Anglican	20.4	18.8
Uniting Church	3.8	3.3
Christian, nfd	2.1	2.8

(a) Based on place of usual residence

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Education

	2011 no.	2012 no.
Full time students		
Government	236 387	244 874
Non-government	127 331	129 328
Schools		
Government	770	765
Non-government	301	301

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Workforce Participation and Workplace Flexibility

	2010 %
Proportion of employees (a) who:	
Were female	45.7
Worked full time	74.5
Currently employed less than 1 year	25.1
Private sector worker	78.8
Wanted to reduce their hours	23.2
Sometimes achieved work life balance	48.8
Rarely/never achieved work life balance	10.2
Had requested changes to their working arrangements (b)	23.3
Were without paid leave entitlements	16.5

(a) And persons on long term unpaid leave

(b) Within the last 12 months

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Labour Market

	2011	2012
	'000	'000
Employed persons		
Employed persons	1 260.9	1 313.6
Unemployed persons	54.8	59.4
Total labour force (a)	1 315.7	1 373.0

	%	%
	'000	'000
Employing industries (b)		
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	35.0	42.5
Mining	105.3	108.9
Manufacturing	90.8	95.8
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	14.2	22.3
Construction	121.0	128.1
Wholesale Trade	47.6	39.7
Retail Trade	126.6	134.2
Accommodation and Food Services	75.8	74.4
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	60.0	59.9
Information Media and Telecommunications	13.5	15.8
Financial and Insurance Services	28.3	30.1
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	25.6	22.1
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	97.8	97.5
Administrative and Support Services	30.4	51.1
Public Administration and Safety	77.6	72.1
Education and Training	90.7	93.8
Health Care and Social Assistance	139.9	143.6
Arts and Recreation Services	22.6	22.3
Other Services	47.7	54.9
Total	1 250.3	1 309.1

(a) December, Trend estimates.

(b) November quarter, Original estimates.

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Average Weekly Earnings (a)

	2011	2012
	\$	\$
Males	1 666.40	1 746.70
Females	1 226.10	1 277.60
Persons	1 523.90	1 590.60

(a) Full time adult ordinary time earnings, November quarter. Original estimates

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Economy



ECONOMY

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Consumer Price Index Imports and Exports

State Accounts (a)

	2010-11 \$m	2011-12 \$m
Gross State Product	221 574	236 338
Gross State Product per capita	95 573	99 065
	%	%
Largest contributing industries	34.6	35.2
Mining	11.7	12.0
Construction	5.3	5.2
Manufacturing		

(a) Chain volume measures

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House Price Index (a)

	2010-11 %	2011-12 %
Established homes	-1.1	-2.5
Project homes	2.5	1.9

(a) Percentage change from previous financial year.

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Consumer Price Index (a)

	2010-11 %	2011-12 %
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	5.9	-3.4
Alcohol and tobacco	4.1	4.1
Clothing and Footwear	4.5	0.3
Housing	3.0	4.2
Furnishings, household equipment and services	-0.6	0.5
Health	4.2	3.5
Transportation	2.8	0.7
Communication	0.5	0.9
Recreation and culture	0.1	-1.8
Education	5.2	6.8
Insurance and financial services	3.8	3.5
All groups	3.0	1.1

(a) Percentage change from previous financial year.

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Imports and Exports

	2010-11 \$	2011-12 \$

Imports	25 955	35 082
Exports	112 171	120 534
Imports from:		
Singapore	2 464	4 232
United States	2 753	4 129
China	3 270	3 779
Exports to:		
China	47 241	55 002
Japan	20 716	22 841
Korea, Republic of	10 674	9 811
Major commodities exported:		
Iron ore	57 177	61 217
Gold bullion	13 398	15 603
Crude petroleum oils	11 056	11 073

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Industry



INDUSTRY

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Retail Trade (a)

	2010-11 \$m	2011-12 \$m
Food	10 975	11 546
Household goods	4 901	5 628
Clothing, footwear & personal accessories	1 832	1 797
Department stores	2 072	2 110
Other retailing	3 383	3 896
Cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services	3 968	4 757
Total	27 137	29 733

(a) Retail turnover in current prices, Trend estimates.

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Building

	2010-11	2011-12
New residential building	no.	no.
Approved	20 937	18 955
Completed	24 255	19 629
Average value of new residential building	\$	\$
Approved	272 207	278 464
Completed	276 002	300 116
Total value of non-residential building	\$m	\$m
Approved	4 134.7	4 029.8
Completed	4 514.5	3 839.0

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Mining

	2010-11	2011-12
Production (a)		
Iron ore (Mt)	397.6	455.1
Gold (t)	184	179
Exploration expenditure	\$m	\$m
Minerals	1 590.1	2 106.8
Petroleum	2 402.3	2 117.2

(a) Source: Western Australian Mineral and Petroleum Statistics Digest 2011-12, Department of Mines and Petroleum

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Agriculture

	2010-11	2011-12 (a)
Crop production		
Wheat for grain ('000t)	5 005	11 036
Barley for grain ('000t)	1 549	2 880
Livestock numbers		
Sheep and lambs ('000)	14 000	13 729
Meat cattle ('000)	1 954	1 869

(a) Preliminary estimates.

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Tourism (a)

	2010-11	2011-12

Short term overseas holiday travel	no.	no.
Resident departures	715 596	787 414
Visitor arrivals	246 303	237 804
Holiday arrivals - country of origin	%	%
United Kingdom and Ireland	20.5	18.6
Singapore	17.5	16.1
Rest of Europe	14.5	14.9
Holiday departures - main destination	%	%
Indonesia	43.0	41.6
Thailand	9.1	10.6
Malaysia	6.4	5.5

(a) By air

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Environment



ENVIRONMENT

Climate

Climate

	Summer (January)		Winter (July)		Mean temperature	Mean annual rainfall
	Max (°C)	Min (°C)	Max (°C)	Max (°C)	(mm)	
Perth Metro	31.0	18.0	18.4	7.6	728.3	
Albany Town	22.8	15.1	15.7	8.1	928.8	
Broome Airport	33.3	26.3	28.8	13.7	607.0	
Bunbury	29.6	15.2	17.2	7.0	720.1	
Esperance	26.1	15.6	17.2	8.3	616.1	
Geraldton	29.1	18.4	19.8	10.5	446.8	
Kalgoorlie Boulder Airport	33.7	18.3	16.7	5.0	265.2	
Mandurah	29.0	18.6	17.4	10.6	653.2	
Port Hedland Airport	36.4	25.6	27.1	12.3	317.3	

Source: Bureau of Meteorology 2013, Perth, <<http://www.bom.gov.au>>.

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